

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**THE ESTATE OF JESSIE LEE  
WILLIAMS, JR., DECEASED, BY AND  
THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND AND  
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, TERRY  
WILLIAMS, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE  
ESTATE OF JESSIE LEE WILLIAMS JR.**

**PLAINTIFF**

**V.**

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:06cv196LG-RHW**

**HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, ET  
AL**

**DEFENDANTS**

**JOINDER IN MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS**

Defendant American Correctional Association, through its attorneys, files this its Joinder in Motion to Stay Proceedings, and in support would show the following:

1. Defendant George Payne, Jr., in his official and individual capacities as Sheriff of Harrison County, has filed a Motion to Stay Proceedings and for Additional Time to Answer Amended Complaint, stating that the February 4, 2006 incident which is the subject of this action is currently under criminal investigation by the Mississippi Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and that the pendency of those investigations will impede discovery in the civil action and prevent a resolution of the plaintiff's claims against certain defendants.

2. A stay as to some but not all defendants would lead to inefficient, piecemeal litigation. This action should be stayed as to all defendants until such time as any criminal proceedings related to this incident have been fully resolved.

3. American Correctional Association appears only to join in the motion to stay proceedings, and by appearing does not waive any rights or defenses to which it would otherwise be entitled.

Dated: July 12, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

AMERICAN CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION

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